IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Original) DNA coded with a transcription repressing factor including:
 - (A) DNA coded with a protein having an amino acid sequence indicated in Sequence No.

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- (B) DNA consisting of a base sequence indicated in Sequence No. 1.
- 2. (Original) DNA coded with a transcription repressing factor including:
- (A) DNA coded with a protein having such an amino acid sequence that one or plural amino acids are substituted with, deleted from, inserted into and/or added to an amino acid sequence indicated in Sequence No. 2; or
- (B) DNA hybridized with DNA consisting of a base sequence indicated in Sequence No. 1 under stringent conditions.
- (Original) The transcription repressing factor coded with DNA as set forth in Claim 1 or
- 4. (Original) The transcription repressing factor as set forth in Claim 3 wherein transcription ascribed to a nuclear hormone receptor is repressable.
- 5. (Original) DNA coded with a peptide capable of activating transcription including:
- (A) DNA coded with a peptide consisting of an amino acid sequence from position 1 to 179 in Sequence No. 2; or
 - (B) DNA consisting of a base sequence of from 1 to 537 bases in Sequence No. 1.
- 6. (Original) DNA coded with a peptide capable of activating transcription including:

- (A) DNA coded with a peptide having such an amino acid sequence that one or plural amino acids are substituted with, deleted from, inserted into and/or added to an amino acid sequence position 1 to 179 in Sequence No. 2; or
- (B) DNA hybridized with DNA consisting of a base sequence position 1 to 537 bases in Sequence No. 1 under stringent conditions.
- 7. (Original) The transcription activation peptide coded with the DNA as set forth in Claim 5 or 6.
- 8. _ (Currently Amended) DNA selected from the DNAs as set forth in any one of Claim 1, 2, 5 or 6 and having at least 15 nucleotide length.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A vector inserted with the DNA as set forth in any one of Claims Ćlaim 1, 2, 5 or 6.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A host cell holding the DNA as set forth in any one of Claims

 Claim 1, 2, 5 or 6, or the vector as set forth in Claim 9.
- 11. (Currently Amended) An antibody capable of binding with the factor as set forth in Claim 3 or the peptide as set forth in Claim 7.
- 12. (Currently Amended) An oligonucleotide probe hybridized with the DNA as set forth in any one of Claims Claim 1, 2, 5 or 6 and having at least 10 nucleotide length.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A substrate fixed with any one of the following (A) to (D):
 - (A) the oligonucleotide probe as set forth in Claim 12;
- (B) the transcription repressing factor as set forth in Claim 3 or 4, or a partial peptide of said factor;
- (C) the transcription activating factor as set forth in Claim 3 or 4, or a partial peptide of said factor; and

- (D) the antibody as set forth in Claim 11.
- 14. (New) An antibody capable of binding with the peptide as set forth in claim 7.
- 15. (New) A substrate fixed with the transcription repressing factor as set forth in Claim 3, or a partial peptide of said factor.
- 16. (New) A substrate fixed with the transcription activating factor as set forth in Claim 3, or a partial peptide of said factor.
- 17. (New) A substrate fixed with the antibody as set forth in claim 11.

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